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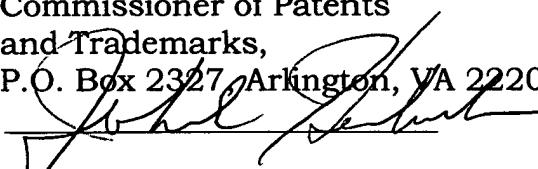
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Dear Examiner Wilson:

Responsive to a phone conversation of 12/30/03 with Examiner Wilson regarding a final issue to resolve to place application in condition for allowance, it is requested that the following remarks be added to the file.

The examiner stated that the prior response included substitute pages in addition to the list of requested changes. This procedure for responding to PCT applications is not the proper response to a non PCT application. The Examiner requested that I resubmit the response without the substitute pages so that the remarks may be added to the file without the detailed examination of the substitute pages.

Applicant's attorney did locate a statement in the Office Action dated 6/12/02, Paper 11, Page 4, as follows: